Paine L. B. 821,

April 8/76

April 8/76.

Requests permission to copy in the Gallery.

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Rec'd April 8/76 Ackd.

Washington D.C.
April 8th '76.

Gentlemen, —

I understand that permission is granted persons to copy the works in the Art Gallery upon application, & subscription to certain rules & regulations. I desire to copy some of the casts in the Statuary Room, in pencil. I hereby respectfully beg permission to do so —

Yer

Eliza B. Paine
Washington
D. C.

To the Trustees of the
Corcoran Art Gallery

Alvord. H. E. (822)

Apl 7, 1876

Apl 8/76

Request to deliver the Warren pictures to Francis Lamb.

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Recd. April 8/76

1236 Pa. Ave -
Washn - April 7th '76

Mr. McLeod -
Curator
Corcoran Gallery of Art -

Dear Sir;

Please to deliver to Mr. Francis Lamb - the two portraits you hold for me - known as "The Warren Pictures" - upon presentation of this -

Mr. L. is to box the same for me for shipment to Boston -

Yours very respectfully
Henry E. Alvord

MacLeod Wm. (823)

Apl 10. 1876,

Request leave of absence.

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Corcoran Gallery of Art.

Washington D. C. April 10th 1876

To the Board of Trustees.

Gentlemen,

In view of the great interest and importance of the American and European works of art which certainly will be gathered in the coming Centennial Exposition at Philadelphia, I respectfully ask from you a reasonable leave of absence, that will enable me to examine leisurely & studiously that Department of the great Exhibition. It is needless for me to dwell upon the importance of such an examination to your Curator, as it would undoubtedly will afford him much information upon the present condition of

of that visit to the galleries of Philadelphia & Newyork, are seen in the Sculpture and Bronze Galleries.

Trusting these requests will meet Your favorable Consideration & approval,

Very Respectfully
Your Obdt Servt.
Wm. Macdeod
Curator

With Your permission I would like to take part of the leave of absence to a visit to the Exhibition in the autumn before its close, but without additional expense to the Gallery.

American & European Art, which will be useful to this Gallery. In addition to this Special object I would state that an annual Survey of the public and private galleries, & an examination of all that is new in the Department of Art, thus made cannot fail to be of value to me in an intelligent discharge of the purely artistic duties connected with my position.

In connection with this request I would also ask that I be allowed such Sum for my expenses as You may deem reasonable.

I would state that last year I was allowed leave of absence with the Sum of $50 by Your Board to examine the best means of draping picture galleries, & of placing in cases, our Electrotype Reproductions. The result-

Perkins Chs. (824)

Mus. of Fine Arts
Boston. Apl 10. 1876,

Apl 12/76.

Rec'd Apl 12/76

With regard to the Knox Portrait in Faneuil Hall

Dear Sir

Gilbert Stuart's portrait of Genl Henry Knox hangs in Faneuil Hall, on the west side of the Gallery opposite the platform. It is in excellent preservation, and an admirable example of Stuart's work. The Genl who wears a dark blue coat with buff facings, rests his left hand on a cannon, while his right being cast back on his hip, is not seen.
The portrait is a three quarters length. - I examined it closely this afternoon, and am obliged to you for calling my attention to it. It is

probable that the best portraits in Faneuil Hall will be offered on loan to the Museum for safe keeping when we come to occupy our new building. In this case the originals will be replaced by copies at Faneuil Hall, which, although it has stood for many years is more safe from the possibility of fire. From such a calamity we must however be exempt, for although it is not the original "Cradle" it has many precious associations connected with it. Yours very truly

Edward L. Pierce

2 Walnut St.
April 10th 1876.

(825)

Walters. H. J.

Balt. April 12/76

Apl 13/76.

With regard to certain pictures, & the Excursion party from Balt.

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Rec'd Apl. 13/76

Balto 12th April

Dear Dr Macleod

The Pictures you wrote about have been culled — picked & dissected over and over and ord a poor lot —

Mr Davis Manager of the Road has undertook to go down to take direction of the party tomorrow morning

I am glad to hear

You are to make an effort
— Step by step —

Your friend

W. T. Walter

(826)

Stevens Henry

London March 23/76

April 17/76.

Requests that St Memins
Portrait Photographs &
Portraits of Govs of the U.S.
be delivered to Morrison.

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Recd. April 17/76

4 Trafalgar Square W.C
London. March 23. 1876

To the Director of the
Corcoran Gallery of Arts
Washington.

Sir.

Pray be so good as to deliver to Messrs Morrison. 45 Pemi Avenue. or to them order the two volumes I sent you through my friend Wm Jno N Riggs last year. an inspection.

2 St Memins Portraits. Photographic fac-simile
Boston. Nov 1862 Fol

2 Portraits of Governors of the States in 1861
Photographs 1/2 mo. Boston Fol.

Respectfully Your Obt Servant

Henry Stevens

Books received

W. H. H. D. Thomson

April 15th 1876

(827)

Smith Dan'l

Phœnix Planing Mill,

Apl 17/76 Aprie 15. 1876,

With regard to price of Brackets.

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DANIEL SMITH,

PHŒNIX PLANING AND MOULDING MILL,

1210 OHIO AVENUE,

Rec'd April 17/76

Washington, D. C. April 15th 1876

Mr Wm Macleod

Dear Sir

It takes less Lumber to make the small Brackets as a matter of course, but the extra time, that it took to make patterns, fully makes up the difference in the Lumber, if I had made the same number of the small ones, that I did of the large ones, the price would have been less, for the reason that the cost of patterns, would have been devided by twelve instead of two.

Yours Respectfully

Daniel Smith

(828)

Bierstadt A.

New York March 23/76

Mar 25/76 25/76

Requests that his frame be delivered to Francis Saint. Price of Marine view $5.000.

Rec'd Mch. 25/76

New York.

Belmont House, Mar. 25th 1876

Wm Mac Leod Esq.

Dear Sir.

Please send the enclosed note to Mr Saint-the Frame maker. He will call for the Frame you allude to and also for the "Marine" by Gudin, which he will pack for me.

I suppose they do not care to keep this Marine view. If they should $5.000 is the lowest price.

If you could sell it you would be entitled, of course to $500 commission.

Very truly yours.

A. Bierstadt.

Oakesmith Appleton (829)

Hollywood
Carteret Co. N. C.
March 25. 1876

March 30/76

Offering Portrait of Genl Henry Knox by Stuart for sale

Rec'd Mch 30/76

Hollywood
Carteret Co. N.C. March 25th 1876

James Mandeville Carlisle Esq
Presdt Board of Trustees
of the Corcoran Gallery of Art
317 D. St N.W Washington D.C
Sir

The original portrait of Genl Henry Knox – artillery General of the Revolution – the first Secretary of War of the United States – and the friend of Washington, has been in the writers family for many years. It is the work of Gilbert Stuart. Circumstances compel its Sale. It has always been considered as worth $5.000 – and many years ago Senator Fessenden of Maine partly negotiated a Sale of it to the Government at that price. A recent application results only in an intimation that not more than $1,000 could be given.

The picture is the one which has been engraved, representing the General standing, with his right hand resting upon a Cannon. It is life size, three quarter length, and the family picture from the Red Room Mansion at Thomaston.

I write to enquire if your Board would entertain its purchase, and if so what offer you would propose to make for it - upon proper proofs of its genuineness and merit.

I would add that we have also invited a positive offer from the Government.

Yours Respectfully

Appleton Oaksmith

Walters W. T. (830)

Balto March 30. 1876.

March 31
Apil 6/76.

During Easter week will send a party of young ladies to the Gallery from Balt. asks for $5 worth of Catalogs.

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Recd March 31/77
Ans. April 6/"

Dalkey 30th March

Dear Mr Mackay

During Easter
I propose to send down
at my own expense some
40 of the young girls most
proficient in drawing in
Dublin Schools, with
their teachers for the pond
they will devote in both
the Concert and Gallery.
They can come just as
well on a free day and

they would do so. Of
Course — but it occurred
to me it would be
much [illegible] to their
advantage to be here
on a playing day — would
the Trustees be willing
to admit them free —
would they regard the
Case as one to make
such an exception for,

Please send me
by Express the worth of
the enclosed 5$ in Cats
— hopes as I wish to
distribute them amongst
them for the advantage
they will be before they
go down,

Would you
have any objection
to give a little of your
time when they go down
to explain some matters?

Dont press the
matter of free admission
if you think the Trustees
would not like it — for
they can come down on
a free day —

I will be absent

from home from Today
until this day week,
So you need not work for a week,

Yours truly

W T Walker